

**OFFICIAL****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****IN RE APPLICATION OF:  
EDWARD S. ELLIS, ET AL.****SERIAL NO.: 09/553,107****DATE FILED: APRIL 20, 2000****TITLE: PRODUCTION OF LOW SULFUR  
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§**EXAMINER: JERRY D. JOHNSON****GROUP ART UNIT: 1764****ATTY. DOCKET NO.: GJH-0018****HONORABLE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450****RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This is in Response to the Final Office Action (Paper No. 12) dated April 21,  
2003.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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